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Aperture Card Conversion 24 March 2004

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Background



- AF had 42M aperture cards in 1998
- Lucent Technologies developed Aperture Card Analysis Tracking and Support Services (ACATSS)
 - Aperture card reader captured index information and card location within repository
 - Identified approximately 8M duplicative cards at WPAFB that were destroyed



Background (cont.)





- Developed aperture card conversion effort in 2001
 - Used Tameran Aperture Card Scanner
 - Developed quality guidelines
 - Cards scanned up to 3 times and best image captured (not too light/dark, fits within frame)
 - Cards not meeting standards set aside as "QA Reviews" and card refiled in redo "box" but best available image is kept
 - May require more hands on effort to obtain best image possible if necessary
 - ACATSS updated



WR-ALC Effort



- Began in Sep 01 and scheduled to finish in May 04 (approximately 7 months early)
- Cards are being destroyed after successfully loading to JEDMICS special instance of pending database
- Approximately 10.4M cards



OC-ALC Effort



- Began in Apr 02
- Tinker initiative with AFMC support
 - Obtained aperture card scanners and labor
 - AFMC provided Lucent Software
 - Approximately 6.3M cards scanned, loaded into JEDMICS, and destroyed by Jul 03



OO-ALC Effort



- Began in Oct 03
- Approximately 6.4M cards
- Schedule to be completed in Jun 05



Accomplishments



- Digital images, online, identified in MEDALS
 - Getting a lot of "hits" for this "new" data
- Backed up in AF COOP
- Complies with DOD direction to be digital
- Developed an approach other Services can follow